

Such offender be in our Actuall Service and bound on and in pay on board any such our Ships of Warre or other  
 vessels acting by Immediate Commission or warrant from our Commissioners for executing the Office of our  
 high Admirall or our high Admirall as aforesaid for as he shall receive any Prohibition for the avoiding of Justice  
 for such Offences Committed on board from any persons of his being employed in our Service at Sea we doe  
 hereby give you full power and Authority to appoint Hayes Marts and Marlets as all for such and for many  
 Ports Harbours Bays Havens and other places for the convenient and Security of Shipping and for the better loading  
 and unloading of Goods and Merchandises as by you with the advice and Consent of the said Council shall be  
 thought fit and necessary and in them or any of them to send Nominals and Appoynt Captains Constables  
 Ranges and Officers relating therunto and them to alter Change or displace from time to time as with the advice of  
 shall be thought fit we doe further by these presents Comand you to take all possible Care for the Discouragement  
 of vice and encouragement of vertue and good living that by such Examples the Justly may be justified and  
 desired to partake of the Christian Religion And we doe hereby require and Comand all Officers Civil and Military  
 and all other Inhabitants of our said Province and Territory to be Obedient aiding and assisting unto you the said  
 Francis Nicholson Esq in the Execution of this our Commission and of the Powers and Authorities therein contained  
 and in case of your Death or absence out of our said Province to be Obedient aiding and assisting unto such person shall  
 be appointed by us to be Commander in Chief to whom we doe hereby by these presents give and grant all and  
 singular the powers and authorities aforesaid to be executed and enjoyed by him during our Absence or until your Arri  
 vall within our said Province of Maryland Provided always that Nothing herein contained shall be construed  
 or taken to diminish or alter the Powers formerly granted to our trusty and well beloved Sir Edmund Andros Knight  
 by our Commission unto him bearing date the third day of March and thax said Sir Edmund Andros knight the fourth  
 year of our said King but that the said Sir Edmund Andros upon the Death or absence from America of you the said  
 Francis Nicholson shall take upon him the Chief Comand of our said Province and execute the Powers of this our  
 Commission as we doe hereby likewise will and Comand that our Commission bearing date the fourth day of  
 November in the first year of our said King Entituled you our Lieutnant Governour of our Dominion and Colony of  
 Virginia doe cease and determine from the date of these presents upon the Death or absence from America  
 of the said Sir Edmund Andros In which case our will and pleasure is that you take upon you the Chief Comand  
 of our said Dominion and execute the Powers of our Commission given to the said Sir Edmund Andros until our  
 further pleasure be knowne And if upon the death or absence of you the said Francis Nicholson out of our said  
 Province of Maryland there be no other Commissioned or appoynted by us to be Commander in Chief of our said  
 Province our will and pleasure is that the said Council of that our Province doe take upon them the Administration  
 of the Government and execute this Commission and the severall Powers and Authorities therein contained and that  
 the first Council who shall be at the time of your Death or absence residing within our Province of Maryland doe reside  
 in our said Council with such Powers and Priviledges as any former President hath used and enjoyed within our said Pro  
 vince or any other our Plantations in America until our pleasure be further knowne or your arrivall as aforesaid we  
 doe hereby declare Ordained and Appoynt that you the said Francis Nicholson shall and may hold execute and enjoy the  
 Office and place of Captaine Governour in Chief in and over our Province and Territory of Maryland together with all  
 and singular the Powers hereby granted unto you for and during our will and pleasure In witness whereof we have  
 caused these our Letters to be made Patent with our Seals at Westminister the tenth day of July in the fifth year  
 of our said King

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